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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

CHRISTOPHER QUINN *et al.*

Application No.: 10/799,931

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For: PRESSURE TRANSMISSION
CATHETERS FOR
IMPLANTABLE PRESSURE
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
OF PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(a)**

Mail Stop Petition

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Sir:

In response to the Decision refusing status under 37 CFR 1.47(a) dated January 10, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit herewith a Declaration by Janet Fenner establishing the non-signing inventors' unavailability to execute the application.

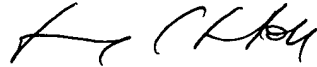
Janet Fenner has first-hand knowledge of the events surrounding the non-signing inventors' unavailability to execute the application. The enclosed Declaration establishes that Seog Jae Lee has been presented with the complete application papers by mail to his last known address and has not responded to the request that he sign the declaration.

For the foregoing reasons, it is believed that a sufficient basis has been established for filing this application absent the signatures of Robert Busch and Seog Jae Lee. Accordingly, granting of this Petition under 37 CFR §1.47(a) is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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**DECLARATION BY JANET FENNER
SUPPORTING PETITION FOR FILING
OF PATENT APPLICATION WHEN
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Sir:

The following statement establishes the unavailability to execute the application by two of the inventors, ROBERT BUSCH and SEOG JAE LEE, and the need for filing this application under 37 CFR 1.47(b).

The application was prepared with the help of the other inventors, who have executed a combined declaration and power of attorney and an assignment.

As an employee of Transoma Medical, Inc., I sent a copy of the application to the inventors, including Robert Busch, for review in or before March of 2004. On August 26, 2004, I sent a copy of the combined declaration and power of attorney and the assignment to Mr. Busch at his last known address at 21244 Victory Lane, Taylors Falls, MN 55084. Having received no response, I sent Mr. Busch an e-mail on September 23, 2004 and another e-mail on September 30, 2004 regarding the execution of the application documents. No response from Mr. Busch has been received.

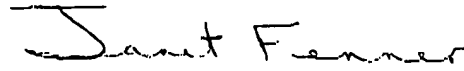
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Seog Jae Lee was believed to have left the University of Minnesota and returned to Korea sometime in or shortly before March of 2004. I sent an e-mail to Debbie Egger-Smith of the University of Minnesota requesting Mr. Lee's home address in Korea. On March 12, 2004, I received an e-mail from Ms. Egger-Smith who provided the work contact information for Mr. Lee in Korea. On the same day, I sent an e-mail to Mr. Lee requesting his home address. Having received no response, I sent another e-mail to Mr. Lee on March 24, 2004. On May 5, 2004, I sent an e-mail to Ms. Egger Smith requesting additional contact information for Mr. Lee, but none was available. On August 26, 2004, I sent a copy of the combined declaration and power of attorney and the assignment to Mr. Lee at his last known address provided by Ms. Egger-Smith, i.e., his work address in Korea at Department of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, Chungbuk National University Hospital, 62 Gaesin-Dong, Heungdeok-Gu, Cheongju, 361-240 South Korea. Furthermore, on February 23, 2005, I mailed another copy of the combined declaration and power of attorney and the assignment, as well as a copy of the patent application as filed (including the specification, claims, and drawings), to Mr. Lee for execution at his work address in Korea. No response from Mr. Lee has been received.

Based upon my personal knowledge and information given to me as set forth above, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 5, 2005, at St. Paul, Minnesota.


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